

Abstract

The invention relates to a three-dimensional flow cell for aligning non-isometric particles in a liquid sample in two axes, comprising a feed zone for the sample containing non-isometric particles to be aligned and an outlet for the sample containing non-isometric particles aligned in two axes, a fluid element of the sample with the dimensions a , b , c being transformed in an expansion zone into a fluid element with the dimensions $a \times n$, $b/n \times m$, c/m , a being the width, b the height and c the length of the fluid element and n and m being constants which depend on the geometry of the flow cell and which signify positive numbers ≥ 1 , a method of aligning non-isometric particles in a liquid sample, the use of the three-dimensional flow cell, a reflectance sensor which has the three-dimensional flow cell according to the invention, a method of measuring the reflectance of a liquid sample containing non-isometric particles and the use of the reflectance sensor according to the invention.